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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit : 1623
Examiner : Jon Benjamin Ashen
Serial No. : 10/627,571
Filed : July 25, 2003
Inventors : Usha Kasid
 : Deepak Kumar
 : Prafulla Gokhale
 : Imran Ahmad
Title : ANTI-APOPTOPIC GENE
 : SCC-S2 AND DIAGNOSTIC AND
 : THERAPEUTIC USES THEREOF

Customer No.: 35811

Confirmation No.: 4233

Docket No.: GTU-06-1179WO-US

Date: November 16, 2006

CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated May 16, 2006 from August 16, 2006 to November 16, 2006.

A check in the amount of \$510.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a). Applicant claims small entity status.

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

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Claim of Extension of Time for Response, in duplicate

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